

# Gazette

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## What's Inside

### PGA Golfers Tour GTMO



Okay, so our golf course isn't the most pristine, or the easiest to play, but it does attract some great golfers, even from the ranks of the PGA!

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### Holiday Homes



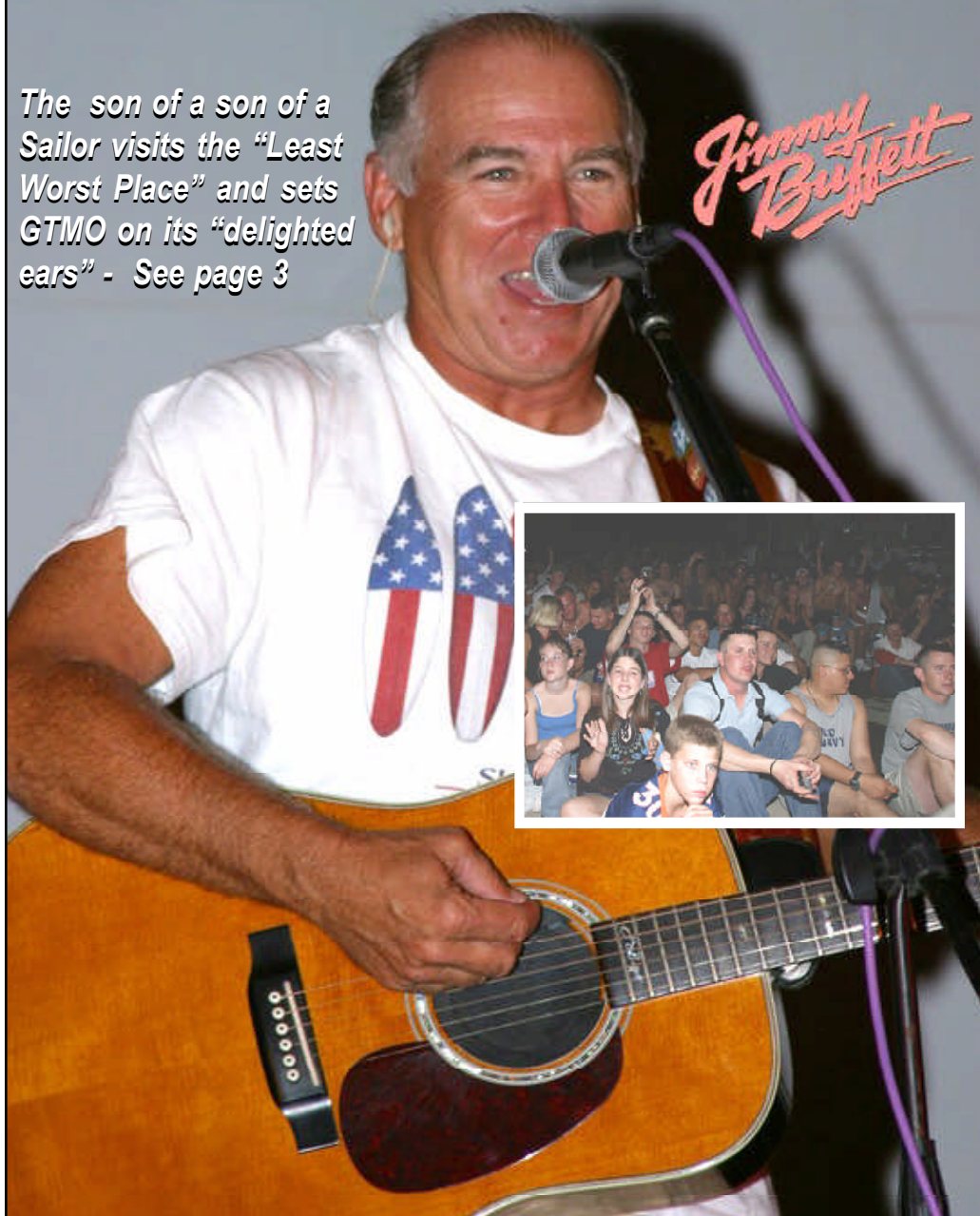
Once a year, residents get the opportunity to view the homes of some of GTMOs most ardent decorators, as well as some of the hisotoric homes of GTMO.

See page 4 for more.

## *"I'm just a cheeseburger in paradise"*

*The son of a son of a Sailor visits the "Least Worst Place" and sets GTMO on its "delighted ears" - See page 3*

*Jimmy Buffett*



## Force Protection

*Be especially alert for suspicious packages during the holidays. Report anything that looks unusual to security at 4105 immediately.*

## Water Conservation

**DEC. 2 - 8**

**Used** 7,986,930.0  
**Daily avg.** 1,140,990.0  
**Daily goal** 1,000,000 gal

**We spent \$58,651.67**  
**over our budget for**  
**the week.**

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# NAVSTA December Awards



Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medal and Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal: AMC Dean Therrien; Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal, EO1 Thomas Coggins and MN2 Steven Buck; Good Conduct Medal, MA1 Troy Niccum and MA1 David Taylor; Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, GMC Basilio Carrasquillo, CTA1 Jennifer Barnes, IS1 Shannon Gallops; frocked to Second Class Petty Officer, MA3 April Gibson and AT3 Issac Ortiz; frocked to Third Class Petty Officer, MASN Timothy Jonczak and MASN Brian Thomas.

# GTMO Raises More Than \$40,000 for CFC

Thanks to everyone who made the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) here in Guantanamo Bay a huge success. Together we raised \$40,224.04. That is a 74.70 percent increase over last year's total. This, once again, proves that the GTMO is a very caring and giving community.

Across the nation and the world, generosity for the CFC charities has been overwhelming and it's nice to know that here in GTMO we played a part in "Making a World of Difference." This year, many local, national, and international volunteer agencies will benefit from your thoughtfulness and generosity.

The CFC Headquarters recognize units/commands who strive for teamwork through giving with awards to entire organizations, or units within an organization, who met or exceeded participation goals and/or giving criteria.

Gold Awards go to units achieving an average contribution of \$120 per potential contributor and/or 60 percent participation. Silver Awards go to units achieving an average contribution of \$90 per potential contributor and/or 50 percent participation. Bronze Awards are awarded to units achieving an average contribution of \$60 per potential contributor and/or 40 percent participation.

If you have any questions about the Combined Federal Campaign here is Guantanamo Bay, contact the CFC Area Project Officer, NC1 Stead at 4488.

## December Tides Chart

Day	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
14	0532	1.20	1118	0.55	1650	1.03	2312	0.13
15	0620	1.31	1224	0.54	1726	0.94	2342	0.07
16	0702	1.43	1318	0.52	1808	0.87		
17	0012	0.01	0744	1.52	1412	0.50	1844	0.80
18	0048	-0.05	0820	1.60	1500	0.48	1920	0.76
19	0118	-0.10	0856	1.66	1542	0.47	1950	0.73
20	0154	-0.15	0938	1.70	1624	0.46	2032	0.71



# Golf Clubs and Guitars

***This past weekend GTMO played host to singer/songwriter and self-proclaimed "pirate" Jimmy Buffett, as well as, several professional golfers from the PGA tour. Buffett sang to an excited crowd, while the PGA crew donated numerous sets of golf clubs to MWR, and made dreams come true for some of GTMO's most avid golfers.***

The following is excerpts are from a two-part article by Helen Ross, PGATOUR.COM Chief of Correspondents and Miami Herald Correspondent, Carol Rosenberg.

Pro-golfer Mark Carnevale, whose father coached basketball at the United States Naval Academy, couldn't help but like the t-shirt one of his playing partners sported Friday afternoon

The shirt was gray with the words "Beat Army" emblazoned on it in big, bold, blue letters. Somehow the sentiment seemed even more appropriate here as the men prepared to tee off at Yatera Seca, the golf course on the Naval Base Guantanamo Bay, less than 24 hours before the start of the annual football game with West Point.

Carnevale joined three other PGA TOUR pros—Frank Lickliter, Billy Kratzert and Bob Dickson — on a whirlwind visit to this American outpost Friday and Saturday. Mike Heard, the FBI agent who arranged the trip; Roger Nichols and a film crew from PGA TOUR

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Keeping fans entertained for almost two hours, Jimmy Buffett did something local fans had dreamed of for many years, a GTMO concert.



The PGA Tour crew lined up for the security bag screening and then posed for an arrival photo at GTMO's air terminal before departing for their picturesque MWR Water Taxi trip across the bay and a ride directly to the Yatera Seca Golf Course.

## BRIEFS

### Lighthouse Grand Re-opening

The Lighthouse Museum will have a re-opening celebration. Everyone is invited to come out and see the face-lift given to our museum by the US Coast Guard Port Security Unit 307 (with equipment provided by the Seabees).

Saturday, 12/14 1:00-3:00 PM at the Lighthouse Museum.

Hot dogs and hamburgers provided by the OCSC. Community members may bring a side dish.

Hope to see everyone there!

### CCC Schedule Announced

The City Colleges of Chicago has it's Term III course schedule available at their office on the Chapel Hill and in the NEX lobby. For information call 3999.

### FFSC Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to work as part of the Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) team. Opportunities at the FFSC include assisting with customer service programs; including Information and Referral, Relocation, Counseling, Reception, Marketing/Publicity, etc.

Volunteering is a great way to get acquainted with your new locality, meet new people, get involved in the community, and learn or enhance skills that can be transferred to the job market. Call 4141 for more details.

### Holiday Carnival

The Child Development Center is hosting a Holiday Carnival on December 21 in the CDC Courtyard. The event kicks-off at 10am.

### CAFD Meeting

The next planning meeting for Cuban American Friendship Day is December 16 in Bulkeley Hall at 8:30am.

### Restaurant Closure

The Cuban Club is closed until January 20.





Capt. and Mrs. Elliott admire the Steven's home in Nob Hill as they near the end of their tour of homes.



At the Martinez home the dinner table is fit for royalty.



Kim Blackman and family pose for a holiday photo at the home of IT1 and Mrs. Stevens.



Above: Carolyn Martinez (left) talks holiday decorating with one of the many tourists who visited her home.

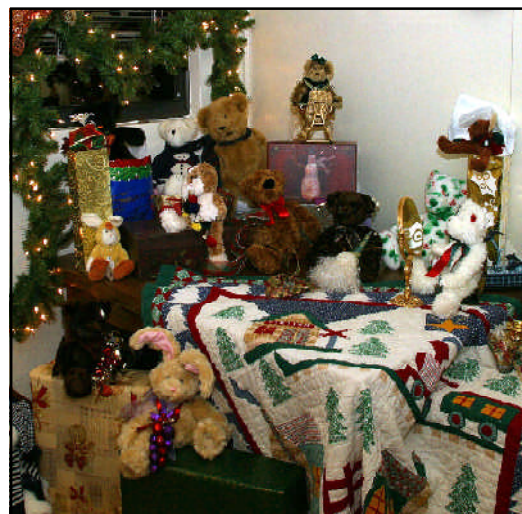
Below: Meticulous work on fine details of this holiday wreath was a hallmark of the type of seasonal decorations found throughout the annual event.



## GTMO Residents *Deck the Halls*

HSO's annual Holiday Tour of Homes Fundraiser was once again a great success. Over 145 tickets for the event were sold with all proceeds to go toward various HSO programs benefiting the hospital and the GTMO community.

The Hospital Spouses' Organization would like the following for opening up their homes for this special event: HM1 and Mrs. Soto, IT1 and Mrs. Stevens, IT1 Warfield, Mr. and Mrs. Martinez, HMC and Mrs. Engle, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer, Capt. and Mrs. Shimkus, Lt. j.g. Malley, Mr. and Mrs. Haley, Capt. and Mrs. McCarthy, Cmdr. and Mrs. Lindberg, Capt. and Mrs. Buehn, Lt. Cmdr. and Mr. Nygard and Capt. and Mrs. Hawkins.



When it comes to holiday decorating, these bears know their stuff!



The home of NAVSTA Commanding Officer, Capt Robert and Debi Buehn.



# GTMO Student Receives National Honor

Recently, Hayden Alexandria Kemp was selected by the International Leadership Network (ILN) to receive the 2002 Elementary School Young Achiever of the Year Award. As a recipient of this honor, she received a Young Achievers medallion, a globe award and a \$1,000 U.S. Savings Bond. Hayden was presented with her accolades at the Naval Station Hospital Quarters by Commanding Officer, Capt. Al Shimkus.

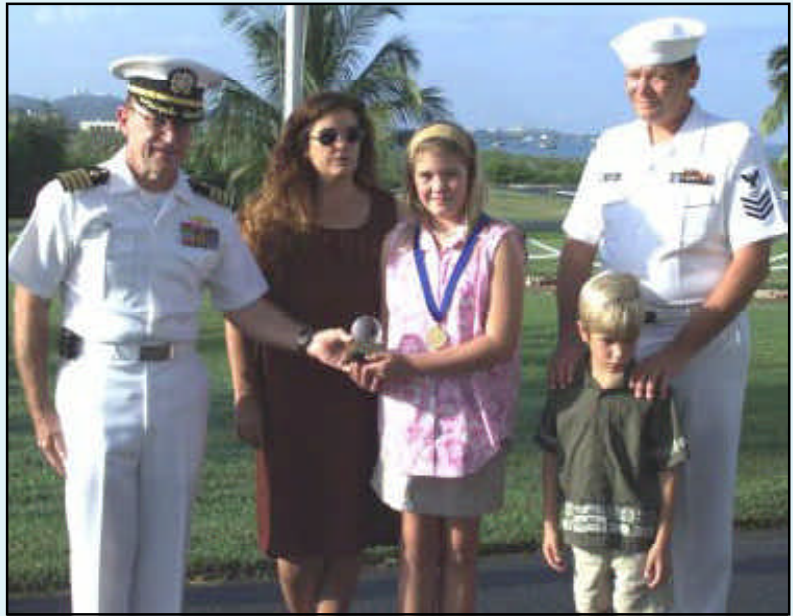
According to Hayden's parents IT1 Kerry and Donna Kemp, this award is a direct reflection of the time that their daughter has spent in GTMO. "This is not only a reflection on her and her achievements, but the community as a whole which has provided her the opportunity to experience so many different aspects of community life," said IT1 Kemp.

Over 300 students leaders were honored by ILN this year. Of those, 50 received medallions for their outstanding accomplishments, and only 3 were selected to receive a U.S. Savings Bond award.

ILN is a non-profit, charitable organization with a mission to empower the young people of today to become productive, contributing members of society.

With the Young Achievers program the leaders of tomorrow are encouraged to develop and use their talents.

Young Achievers such as Hayden are positive role models for their peers, successful in a variety of areas, good citizens in their



Capt. Al Shimkus presents young Hayden Kemp with her International Leadership Network "Young Achiever of the Year" award. Hayden is surrounded by her family, brother Emmett, mother and father Donna and IT1 Kerry Kemp. Photo by LT Brian Pickle.

school and community and competent scholars.

The GTMO community takes great pride and pleasure in congratulating Hayden Kemp on her award and on all her future successes.

## More Sailors Investing in Thrift Savings Plan

From Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs Office

More than 7,500 Sailors have joined their shipmates investing for the future by enrolling in the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) since open enrollment began Oct. 15. The Navy is leading the services in new enrollments, bringing the total to more than 96,000 active-duty and Reserve Navy TSP participants.

Sailors have until Dec. 31, which is the end of this current open season, to sign up for TSP, change or increase their contributions up to the new limit of 8 percent of basic pay.

"With a pay raise of at least 4.1 percent coming in January for all Sailors, I hope Sailors who can afford to enroll will consider investing a small part of the raise in TSP," said Chief of Naval Personnel Vice Adm. Gerry Hoewing. "What a terrific way to end the year."

Enlisted personnel have increased enrollment by 6,616 during the current open season as of Oct. 31, an increase of nearly 11 percent. E-1s lead the way with 1,409 new TSP enrollments.

Officer enrollments have seen an increase of 1,501, for a hike of almost 7 percent. O-3s lead the officer community in new enrollments with 483.

Any active-duty member of the uniformed services or

Reservist in a pay status may participate in TSP. Contributions can range from as little as 1 percent to 8 percent of basic pay; also, bonus, special or incentive pay may be contributed up to the \$12,000 IRS tax limit allowed in 2003. For those serving in a combat zone, the current ceiling for contributions is \$40,000.

Recent changes to tax laws allow for an increase in the elective deferral limits, or contributions from basic, special, incentive and bonus pay not subject to the combat zone tax exclusion. The IRS elective deferral limit for 2003 is \$12,000, \$13,000 in 2004, \$14,000 in 2005 and \$15,000 in 2006.

TSP enrollment can be done online through MYPAY Web site (formerly called Employee Member Self Service (E/MSS)) at <https://emss.dfas.mil/mypay.asp>, or by completing a TSP enrollment form (TSP-U-1) and turning it into your servicing pay or personnel office. TSP enrollment forms are available at local Fleet and Family Support Centers, Personnel Support Detachments or online at the TSP Web Site, [www.tsp.gov](http://www.tsp.gov). If you sign-up or make changes to your TSP account via the MYPAY Web site, you now have the option to print out a receipt of your transaction.

For more information on TSP click on [www.tsp.gov](http://www.tsp.gov).



Left: The concert of concerts for parrotheads had standing room only crowds filling the downtown lyceum and joining the celebration on stage. Above: Jimmy meets up with the golfers at the course for a quick chat.

### GOLF AND GUITARS

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Productions also headed to “GTMO” with the pros.

Heard, who is based in south Florida, had spent five weeks earlier this year on official business at Guantanamo Bay. While there, the avid golfer found some time to play Yatera Seca — or the aptly translated, Dry Earth — Golf Club, where the greens fees are \$5 and the grass almost nonexistent.

When he returned home, Heard wanted to do something for the military stationed there so he called Lickliter, who in turn, got Carnevale, Dickson, Roger Nichols and several other friends to donate clubs. Within days, Heard had eight full sets of clubs, more than 30 drivers and fairway woods, 250 balls and nine pin flags to ship to his new-found buddies.

Heard and Lickliter, though, wanted to do more. So they waited until the off-season to get the group together to go visit the active duty personnel and reservists stationed at Guantanamo Bay with the Joint Task Force.

Upon arrival, the party was met by Ric Evans, the base public affairs officer, and publicity coordinator, Lisa Dula, both of whom were armed with cameras to document the arrival. The group was told to set any carry-on bags on the ground and step back so a German shepherd could inspect them.

“Which one of you is Tiger Woods?” someone getting off the plane jokingly asked.

The sun was blinding and the 90-degree temperatures on this December day were roughly twice as high as when the group left Jacksonville. Lickliter inquired about the course record — to which Evans replied “18 holes without heat stroke.”

About 25 military personnel were waiting to play with the pros when the group arrived



at the golf course, which was inundated by hungry mosquitoes and much greener than Heard remembered it after some recent rain. By no means was it lush, however.

Local rules let players move balls within a putter head on the patchy greens and they hit off Astroturf mats placed within one club length of the ball — even in the rough. When they are bold enough to look for the balls amid cactus trees and brave critters like guanas, banana rats and snakes, that is.

Since 1995 Yatera Seca has gotten no government funding but it has its own golf association that has hopes of upgrading the course. Within the next several months, seven more holes will be re-opened to bring the total to 16.

Lickliter played with Captain Mike Fair, the executive officer of the base, and the group's unofficial tour guides — Chief Petty Officer Tim Valle and Donnell Daniel, a Department of Defense employee who is the athletic director of the Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) office.

"This is tremendous," Fair said after the next group of players took their turn with the TOUR pros. "It means a lot to the men and women that (these players) were interested enough to hop on a plane, fight the mosquitoes and come down here to see us."

As the sun was setting, the original Parrothead himself, Jimmy Buffett, made a brief appearance to shake hands and say hello to the players. He flew down in his seaplane Friday and was scheduled to play a concert at the outdoor movie theater the following night.

Instead of playing golf, though, Buffett planned to do some tarpon and bone fishing. But not before he made another appearance at the Tiki Club, one of the base's watering holes, Friday night as the group feasted on Jerk chicken and pork.

"I get to play with PGA TOUR pros one day and hear Jimmy Buffett the next," one soldier said as Buffett posed for pictures and signed a few autographs. "It doesn't get any better than this."

"What impressed me the most on this trip was the dedication of the soldiers here," Carnevale said. "We as citizens don't do enough for the military. Any appreciation shown is not only deserving — it's necessary."

## JIMMY BUFFETT

*On Fri, Dec. 06, the following appeared in an article written by the Miami Herald's*



The proof's in the picture (pudding's for chefs) for these avid GTMO golfers. The group photo prior to the round of golf on our local course was a treat for the local golfers and a new kind of challenge for the PGA golfers.

*Carol Rosenberg, a globe trotting correspondent for the paper who has covered GTMO on numerous occasions over the past year. Rosenberg had just returned from the Middle East when she got the call to return to GTMO. It was not her usual trip to the "Least Worst Place," This time she took the time to speak with a visitor whose open invitation to visit our local paradise had been extended a long time ago. Here are some parts of that interview, conducted on the landing where Jimmy Buffett first set foot on GTMO.*

GUANTANAMO BAY NAVY BASE, Cuba - (KRT) - He's been to Cuba three times. But crooner Jimmy Buffett made his debut here Friday at this U.S. outpost that holds 620 terror suspects - piloting his own pontoon plane, Air Margarita One, to a smooth landing on Guantanamo Bay to entertain the troops this weekend.

"Wait a minute! This isn't Miami. I'm tricked," said Buffett, as he climbed onto a pier in shorts and a T-shirt to a welcome from base officials and several dozen so-called Parrotheads, mostly Navy wives.

"Welcome to Paradise," replied Navy Lt. Cmdr. Lori Nygard, 51, the base lawyer.

Earlier, Nygard, a self-proclaimed Parrothead, could barely contain her excitement. "Finally, they brought someone here for us older people."

Buffett, 55, brought the first seaplane to land here since 1973 and will be followed Saturday by his 90-foot yacht, the Margaritaville.

Minutes after arriving from the Bahamas,



Lickliter was in the middle of a request for a hummer as a golf cart when he noticed the sign his playing partner, Captain Mike Fair, was leaning on. he said there was something familiar about this palm tree and cactus-studded end of Cuba.

"I like to entertain the troops," he said, explaining why he finally accepted the long-standing invitation. "It's a great way for me to pay back."

Cheerleaders, comics and the Charlie Daniels Band have all come down to Cuba to entertain the forces, which have doubled since getting the detention mission in January. But Nygard predicted a full house at the open-air Lyceum for tonight's show and said a long-established local Parrothead fan club had already sold out its supply of T-shirts.

The base commander, Navy Capt. Bob Buehn, was equally thrilled by Buffett's offer of a free show. "This is a Jimmy Buffett kind of place," he said.

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# TaeKwonDo Students Put Their Skills to the Test

The GTMO TaeKwonDo program held a group belt testing of adults and kids at the base gym on November 23. Of the 80 students presently enrolled, 32 TKD students were in their cycle for belt testing.

Instructor Matt Brittle tested the kids and adult's simultaneously in hopes to cut down on the time frame it takes to test all students. In the past, it could take between 4 to 6 hours to test everyone. Which makes a long day for students and the audience watching. With the class growing ever so more, and the different levels of belts now, it requires much more effort plus time, to train and test all students at their particular level.

The GTMO TaeKwonDo is sanctioned under the World Taekwondo Federation, and all students are required to meet certain criteria with each belt level before testing. As the student advances up, the harder each level becomes requiring more training time and participation with the student in class. The World Taekwondo Federation starts off with three basic levels, then advances into the intermediate and advance levels which consist of nine more belt levels. Each level has its own curriculum the student must master before they are recommended for testing. The curriculum will consist of basic kicking, punching, blocking, forms, breaking, sparring, combination kicking and blocking techniques, one step self defense, and Korean knowledge of the martial art. Along with the curriculum a student must master, they also must possess great mental and physical discipline, respect, focus, integrity and perservance, to name a few.

The students who recently tested and the belts in which they tested for are listed below:

**Yellow Belt:** Paul Anderson, James Bowman, Matthew Frame, Hasan Lumumba, Desiree Richardson.

**Purple Belt:** Russell Brown, Samantha Davis, Jonathan Miller,



Above: The TaeKwanDo students who tested for their next higher belt level took a few moments to pose for a photo prior to testing. Right: Ashley Raymer, testing for her Green Belt Stripe, demonstrates a Front Snap Kick.

Hugh Mills, Jimmy Prince.

**Purple Stripe Belt:** Sean Crudo, Mark Elliot, Rhodney Farlow, Heather Gariepy, Victoria Miller.

**Green Belt:** Mark Elliot, Rhodney Farlow, Racheal Fernald, Lance Forstie,

**Green Stripe Belt:** Ashley Raymer.

**Blue Belt:** Kelly Baggett, Kimberly Baggett, Marie Brewer, Aaron Gariepy, Alice Helms, April Helms, Justin Helms, Cai Mowry.

**Brown Belt:** Neal Babb, Julie Dillard, Micheal Johnson, Lynn Raymer.



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## Suicide Prevention is Everyone's Responsibility

**By Michael McLellan**

*Naval Personnel Command Public Affairs*

"It's okay for shipmates to help shipmates" is the message conveyed recently by Navy officials.

With NAVADMIN 390/02, the Navy joins its sister services in kicking off a Department of Defense campaign to reduce military member's suicide risk. This campaign insists that "everyone counts" and "taking action saves lives." Suicide is a serious health problem that is best combated by increased awareness and supportive action Navywide.

Suicide rates in the Navy are considerably lower than the rates in the civilian community, yet suicide is the third leading cause of death for Sailors. Those who contemplate suicide generally exhibit a variety of outward signs.

Key risk factors are threats or hints about suicide, depression or substance abuse, and previous suicidal behavior. Navy leadership is calling for a proactive commitment to suicide prevention that is directly related to the Navy's core values and

in keeping with the long held knowledge that "the Navy takes care of its own."

According to health officials, most people are unable to conceal the fact they are experiencing problems. Beyond the key risk factors for suicide, people in need usually exhibit one or more common sign that they need assistance. A shipmate may be in need of assistance if they are having difficulties managing relationships, impulsive anger, social isolated, financial problems, performance difficulties, preoccupation with death, or exhibits mental health problems such as anxiety or depression.

A shipmate having any personal problems should be encouraged or directed to seek assistance. But if you have any reason to suspect that such a person might commit suicide, Navy officials are asking you to pose the tough question, "Are you contemplating suicide?" or "Are you thinking about hurting yourself?"

Suicides usually occur when a member is in a liberty, leave or unauthorized absence status. Risk of suicide increases during

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## Worship Services

### Catholic Mass

(Main Chapel)

*Monday - Friday*

Daily Mass (Cobre Chapel) 0630

*Friday*

Holy Hour/Rosary 1700

(Cobre Chapel)

*Saturday*

Reconciliation 1630

Eucharist/Mass 1730

*Sunday*

Eucharist/Mass 0900

Eucharistic Adoration/Reflective

Prayer (Cobre Chapel)

Daily 24hrs

### Protestant Services

*Sunday*

Services - Main Chapel 1100 & 1930

Camp America 0800

Leeward-Marine Barracks 1430

### New Life

(Main Chapel)

*Sunday*

Worship Service 1245

Sunday School (Sanctuary B) 1130

### Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter Day Saints

(Sanctuary A)

Sunday Sacrament 0900

### Jewish

(Fellowship Hall)

Every Friday 2000

### Filipino Bible Fellowship

(Sanctuary A)

*Sunday*

Worship 1800

### Iglesia Ni Cristo

(Sanctuary B)

*Sunday*

Worship 2000

### Pentecostal Gospel

Temple

(Sanctuary C)

*Sunday*

Worship 0800 & 1700

### Seventh Day Adventist

(Sanctuary B)

*Saturday*

Divine Service 1100

### Islamic Service

(Classroom 18)

*Friday*

Worship 1300

### United Jamacian Fellowship

(BLDG. 1036 - Next to Phoenix Cable)

Sunday Service 1100 & 1830

*Please ask the Faith Group Representative about Sunday School Times, Education Programs, Bible Study, Prayer Groups, etc. For more, call the Chaplain's Office at 2323.*

## Holiday Boat Parade

*No, you didn't miss it! The parade is now set for Saturday, December 14. Come out and view a spectacular sight on the water.*

## Daisy Girl Scouts Need Volunteers

The Daisy Girl Scouts need volunteers for "Holiday's Around the World" - a presentation of the different holidays celebrated around the world in December.

Storytellers, show-and-tell items, and the sharing of traditions are all welcome. The event is Saturday, December 21st, 9am, Rm A-12, W.T.

Sampson Elementary School.  
Please call Tonja Campbell 7328  
or email [jcampbell@gtmo.net](mailto:jcampbell@gtmo.net)



## Volunteers Needed for Safe Ride

Volunteers are needed to drive a van(s) for the Command Safe Ride Program. The van(s) will be needed for both the MWR Christmas Party and New Years Eve Party. The Base Christmas Party is scheduled for December 13th. We would like to have two drivers per shift with the shifts beginning at 9pm and ending at 1am. If you are interested in volunteering please contact the Command DAPA at 4099/4255 or 7906 after working hours. We need to get an accurate volunteer count so we can schedule accordingly.

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times of personal crisis, adverse administrative or legal action. Data collected reveal that suicide is usually preceded by alcohol or other substance abuse within 12 hours of the incident and is often accomplished with a personally owned weapon.

The Navy and Marine Corps have adopted the Army's seven-step guideline signified by the acronym, "AID LIFE." It provides the basis for the Navy's appeal to all Sailors to lend a hand:

- A - Ask the person if they're thinking about suicide;
- I - intervene immediately;
- D - Don't keep it a secret;
- L - Locate help;
- I - Inform your chain of command;
- F - Find someone, don't leave the person alone;
- E - Expedite, get help right away.

There are many people in a well-established network who are ready to lend assistance. Trained professionals in medical emergency care centers, mental health clinics, substance abuse rehabilitation programs, Fleet & Family Support Centers, and military chaplains or civilian clergy are standing by ready to assist.

## School Lunch Menu

**Dec. 16 - 20**

**- MONDAY -**

Combination Pizza,  
Mixed Vegetables,  
Fruit Cocktail,  
Milk

**- TUESDAY -**

Beef Taco, Crispy  
Shell, Rice, Lettuce &  
Tomato, Cheese,  
Sliced Peaches,  
Milk

**- WEDNESDAY -**

Hot Dog w/Cheese,  
French Fries,  
Sweet Peas,  
Fresh Fruit, Milk

**- THURSDAY -**

Baked Chicken,  
Mashed Potatoes,  
Tossed Salad,  
Fresh Fruit, Milk

**- FRIDAY -**

**Winter Holiday  
Recess Begins  
Happy Holidays!**



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## Creature Feature

*"Creature Features" are submitted by The Guantanamo Bay  
Environmental Office*

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**By Paul Schoenfeld**  
*Natural Resources Manager*

This is the third in a series on coral reefs responding to the documented decline in the condition of coral reefs worldwide. The DOD is a member of the multi-agency Coral Reef Task Force addressing this decline globally. The DOD has an active role in coral reef conservation and, utilizing its technology and expertise, provides a high level of support to the Coral Reef Task Force initiatives.

At GTMO, we are fortunate to have an extensive coral reef system. These reefs provide us with very high quality recreational diving, fishing, snorkling, and other uses. Our reefs are also in relatively good condition compared to many other reef systems and this is due in large part to DOD jurisdiction. As our mission progresses and our population grows, it becomes imperative that each and every one of us act responsibly with respect to our coral reefs. This begins with recycling our waste, proper disposal of hazardous waste, obeying the fishing and boating regulations in COMNAVBASEGTMOINST 1710.10H, and being careful when diving or anchoring a boat. One careless diver or one anchor in the coral can instantly damage what took decades to grow.

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The complex relationships between coral reefs, sea grass beds, and mangroves creates a much larger interdependent ecosystem. Impacts to any of these communities may result in impacts to the entire ecosystem. Many impacts to coral reefs, including impacts from upland watersheds, are buffered by mangroves. Impacts from natural disasters are usually short term and coral reefs can usually rebound from the short term effects of hurricanes, earthquakes, and other similar phenomena. Human induced impacts however, are usually long term or permanent and can either effect coral directly or indirectly by impacting mangroves and sea grass. Coral does not rebound very well when impacts are permanent or of long duration.

Many upland activities have adverse impacts on reefs. Extensive land clearing results in erosion and an increase in sediment loads to receiving waters. The receiving waters eventually discharge into coastal or near coastal waters and impact coral reefs far away from the original source of erosion. The sediment load in receiving waters increases if upland activities result in the removal or loss of mangroves.

Likewise, agricultural runoff introduces herbicides, pesticides, fertilizers, and livestock waste into receiving waters. Herbicides

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# CORAL REEFS

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and pesticides can directly impact corals and their symbiotic algae. The over-enrichment of these receiving waters from fertilizers and livestock waste is a process called eutrophication which adversely impacts coral that thrive in clear, nutrient poor water. Sewage discharges also eutrophicate receiving waters by introducing nitrogen and phosphates which ultimately settle on coral reefs.

Developmental activities result in an increase in areas of hard impervious surfaces such as roadways, sidewalks, buildings, parking lots, wharfs, and other hard structures. These hard impervious surfaces result in high velocity runoff into receiving waters. The high velocity runoff carries contaminants with it including fuel, antifreeze, hydraulic fluid, and other contaminants from leaking vehicles, equipment, and industrial sites. The high velocity runoff also picks up sediments from areas of point and non-point source erosion. The discharge of contaminants and sediments into receiving waters is magnified through storm drain systems designed to divert this runoff from the developed areas.

To be continued.



**GRAY ANGELFISH ARE ONE OF MANY  
TROPICAL FISH SPECIES THRIVING IN  
GTMO'S CORAL REEFS**



# GTMO SHOPPER

## FOR SALE

(1) For Sale: Samsung DVD player-\$50, Sony Stereo 5 disk changer-\$150, Futon -\$85. Prices all neg. Call 5508 (AWH).

(1) Entertainment Center (\$25), Sleeper Couch (\$50). Call 7699.

(2) Exercise Bike in good condition-\$10. Call 5340.

(2) Dive Gear - 4 mens, 1 womans BC's regulators, tanks, weight belts, fins, other misc. Moving this week must sell. Sets or seperately. Call 7821.

(2) Trampoline - 14ft. New Pads - Decent condition. \$25. Call 7821.

(2) LIKE NEW - Mazda 626 floor mats for back and front \$25. AWH 7864.

(2) Clothing/Uniforms for sale - Women's & men's clothing, men's uniforms. Womens sizes from 12 to 20, mens clothing/uniform items sizes 34 pants, large shirt sizes (camis, blues, whites, dungarees.) Many of the clothing and uniform items are new, some have only been worn once or twice, some are still in pkg. Cash only, no checks. FMI, call 7539.

(2) Items for sale - tennis rackets, luggage, small desk, gas grill w/gas, paintball gun, etc. Cash only, no checks. FMI, call 7539.

(2) Handy Stitch Cordless Sewing Machine - Never used. Selling for \$10 OBO. Call 7056 after 4pm.

(3) Black futon with metal frame, patio furniture, child's yard play barn, curtains (kitchen and patio). Call 7553.

(3) Laptop Sony VAIO FX36A-1Ghz, 256DRAM, 20GB HD, CDRW/DVD Combo, 15.1 TFT Screen, Modem, RJ45 and carrying brief case. Must Sale, Last Price drop. Ask. \$1,000 transferable 3-year warranty with Best Buy. W-4233/H-7951.

## VEHICLES/BOATS

(2) 1987 Mako 224 center console, poweedr by 200 Yamaha with many extras. Kicker 9.9, GPS, ship to shore radio, 2000 foot depth/ fish recorder, 600 foot depth/ fish recorder, down rigger, two outriggers, down planers, boat is in tip top shape, ready to use. Also comes with a "shore line" aluminum float on trailer. Equipment was just inspected. If interested boat is docked at the "Dock of the Bay" in slip 7B. Asking \$11,000. Call Allan at W - 4416 or H - 3431).

(2) 1983 Pick-up Truck. NOT A GTMO SPECIAL. Very reliable and in good shape. New tires, fresh paint job.

FMI, call Henry at 7333 or 2010.

(3) 1988 Nova with A/C- \$2,000 OBO. Call 7553.

(3) 1975 green Chevy Caprice, runs good!, asking \$1,200 OBO. Available 2 Dec. Call 5362 (DWH).

(3) 1985 Chevy S-10 Blazer 4x4 - great condition. Completely rebuilt engine, new paint job, and new shocks. Asking \$2,500 OBO. Call 3730 (DWH) or 2437 (AWH).

(3) 18ft. Bayliner w/70hp Johnson, trailer, fish finder, 1983 Dodge Ram Pickup. All-in-one package. Call Henry at 7333 \*H) or 2010 (W).

(3) 1978 Dodge Pickup, 6cyl auto. Great GTMO Special - \$850. Call 7165.

## WANTED

Wanted: House Cleaner to clean a Nob Hill three-bedroom home every other week. Person to auto detail two privately owned vehicles. Please call 5885 and leave a message.

The American Red Cross is seeking a volunteer to work in our office through the month of December. Please contact 5060 if you can help

Wanted: Sitter (in my home or yours) for my 8 year old daughter needed for Saturday's. Please contact Eric at 5859 (AWH) for the details.

Wanted: acoustic guitar. Please call 6057 and leave a message for Mark.

The Plant Nursery is in need of pots and soil. If anyone has pots that they could return to them it would be greatly appreciated.

## EMPLOYMENT

McDonald's Maintenance Person, mornings - 6am to 2pm. Cashiers, evenings - 5 to 8pm. Interviews on Wednesday from 2-4pm. Call David at 3797 for more information.

*The following are job vacancies currently open through the Human Resource Division. FMI, call 4822 or 4430.*

### Vacancies:

Lead Firefighter, closes 12/13/02 - Open to current Foreign National Employees of the NAVSTA Fire Department only

Translating Assistant (2 vacancies), closes 12/13/02

Computer Assistant, closes 12/17/02

### Open Continuous Vacancies:

Firefighter, 1<sup>st</sup> cutoff 11/20/02, closes 11/06/03 - Open to permanent, full-time Jamaican Foreign National

employees who were recruited and are employed by MWR, NEX, Naval Station and Tenant Commands serviced by the Naval Station HRO and Jamaican Foreign National contractor employees.

Community Bank has a full time teller position open. Resumes are being accepted. FYI 5116.

NEX Cashier (cash cage) - Reg/Full Time - Weekdays & Weekends. NOTE: Any contractors considering Full Time employment with the Navy Exchange must have a letter of release from your present employer attached to your application.

Full and part time food service positions open at the Bayview/ Windjammer Clubs: Baker, Cook, Server and Bus Person. Apply at the MWR Personnel office in Bldg. 760 on Admin Hill.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NAVY FEDERAL CUSTOMERS** - ATM Cards, Debit Cards, check orders and PIN Numbers are in. If you are waiting on any of the above, stop by the Credit Union with your ID card on or before December 31 to see if we have yours.

## SERVICES

Math Tutor: Elementary, high school and college math. Email me at math652002@yahoo.com.

Need a night to yourself, or just want to go out. Certified and experienced baby-sitter. Call Amanda at 7892.

Need help at home? Call Chaz at 7466 (does mowing, weed eating, and gardening). Prices negotiable.

Red Cross certified baby sitter. Experienced, responsible, and ready for anything. Call 7976, ask for Jessica.

Like to get away and have nights to yourselves? Experienced baby-sitter of 5 years! Call Mariah at 7466.

Experienced, Red Cross Certified baby-sitter available. Call Melissa at 5418.

Red Cross certified and experienced. Need a baby-sitter call CJ at 5418.

Baby-sitter - American Red Cross certified. Call Rhett at 7864 for your child care.

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## YARD SALE

Toy sale Saturday: Children's used toy sale at Paola Pt. 18 on Marshall. Sale begins at 0700 and no earlier.

Yard Sale Sunday at Marina Point 305 from 7am to noon. Lots of baby items, maternity clothes and misc treasures.

## LOST & FOUND

Lost - Nov 15 a Pioneer 8mm camcorder was taken from the high school. We would like to ask for its return, especially the tape inside as it has some memories of our children. Call 7505 for more information.

Two, new bi-folding lawn chairs were taken from the Lyceum after Saturdays concert. One has black fabric, attached head rest and black steel frame, the other has attached head rest and green fabric with black steel frame. Reward Offered for their return. For information call 4162 ext. 238 or 7392.

## PETS

The Vet Clinic currently has 3 kittens for adoption, 2 males, 1 female. They are approximately 10 weeks old. The adoption fee is \$65. Anyone interested can contact the clinic during normal business hours M-F 0830-1600 @ 2101 or 2212.

Just in time for Christmas, free to a good home, a two year old GTMO cat. She is house broken and comes with toys, bed, and litter box. We are moving and can not take our GTMO cat with us. Please come and see your new gtmo cat. Call 5855.

## PERSONALS

If you purchased a roll top desk or some carpets at a garage sale on November 30th, please call 7699 to arrange pick up of your items.

## DIE ANOTHER DAY



### Action/Adventure

**Starring:**  
Pierce Brosnan,  
Halle Berry,  
Judi Dench,  
John Cleese,  
Rosamund Pike

James Bond returns with the twentieth installment in the superspy series of adventures. From Hong Kong to Cuba to London, Bond circles the world in his quest to unmask a traitor and prevent a catastrophic war, crossing paths with Jinx (Berry) and Miranda Frost (Pike).

## SWEET HOME ALABAMA

### Romance and Comedy

1 hr. 49 min.

**Starring:**  
Reese Witherspoon,  
Fred Ward,  
Mary Kay Place,  
Patrick Dempsey,  
Josh Lucas



New York fashion designer Melanie Carmichael suddenly finds herself engaged to the city's most eligible bachelor. But Melanie's past holds many secrets, including Jake, the redneck husband she married in high school, who refuses to divorce her. Determined to end their contentious relationship once and for all, Melanie sneaks back home to Alabama to confront her past, only to discover that you can take the girl out of the South, but you can never take the South out of the girl.

## TUCK EVERLASTING



### Drama

1 hr. 30 min.

**Starring:**  
Alexis Bledel,  
Ben Kingsley,  
Sissy Spacek,  
Amy Irving,  
Jonathan Jackson

Winnie Foster (Bledel), a teenage girl on the cusp of maturity, longs for a life outside the control of her domineering mother (Amy Irving), and when lost in the woods near her home, she happens upon Jesse Tuck (Jackson). He and his family immediately take her in as one of their own. However, the Tucks hold a powerful secret. Ultimately, Winnie must decide whether to return to her life or stay with her beloved Jesse and his family forever.

# Movies

## FRIDAY, DEC 13

7pm Transporter  
R - 92min

9pm Tuck Everlasting  
PG - 90min

## SATURDAY, DEC 14

7pm Sweet Home Alabama  
PG13 - 109min

9pm Red Dragon  
R - 125min

## SUNDAY, DEC 15

7pm Die Another Day  
R

## MONDAY, DEC 16

7pm Jonah A Veggie Tale  
Movie  
G - 83min

## TUESDAY, DEC 17

7pm Die Another Day  
R

## WEDNESDAY, DEC 18

7pm Tuck Everlasting  
PG - 90min

## THURSDAY, DEC 19

7pm Transporter  
R - 92min



## What's Happening...

### LIBERTY CENTER

December 18, 2002  
Ping Pong Tournament  
7pm at the Liberty Center  
No Fee

FMI Call 2010

### TEEN CENTER

December 20, 2002  
Holiday Party  
FMI Call 4658

### YOUTH CENTER

December 20, 2002  
Holiday Craft Night  
FMI Call 4658

### GTMO QUEEN FISHING TRIP

December 21st  
5pm to 12am  
Sign Up at the Marina  
\$5 Per Person  
20 Person Limit  
FMI Call 2345

### CHESS TOURNAMENT

December 22, 2002  
3pm at the Liberty Center  
1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place Trophies  
No Entry Fee  
FMI Call 2010

### THE BAYVIEW RESTAURANT

Hours of Operation  
Tuesday - Saturday  
5:30pm to 10pm  
Sunday Brunch 9am to 1pm  
For Reservations Call 2132/5604

### CERAMIC & POTTER SHOP

#### HOURS OF OPERATION

Tues-Sun 10am to 10pm  
Closed on Mondays

Holiday Hours 10am to 6pm

### PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

December 13th 6:30pm to Midnight  
December 31st 5:30pm to 12:30am  
A reservation fee of \$2.50 is due by December 11th for December 13th and December 26th for December 31st to hold a spot for your child(ren).  
An additional fee of \$1.50 is due for each additional child. The reservation fee is non-refundable. One hour-\$2.50, two hours-\$5.00 and three or more hours-\$12.00

For more information on any of the events listed above, call 5225.